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THE WEATHER

Western Oregon and Washington—Showers.
Eastern Oregon, and Washington Idaho—Showers and thunderstorms.

IS ENTITLED TO IT.

The labor interests of the United States are justly entitled to a distinct Governmental department of their own; they are great enough to justify the creation of a cabinet position, and important enough to warrant the especial administrative treatment, already, enjoyed by other pronounced and leading interests. The department of labor should be divorced from that of commerce, and be placed upon its own footing, charged with its own responsibilities, under the direct charge of the best and brightest men in the working ranks of the nation. We believe in the definitive processes in governmental affairs, and we know of nothing to which, at present, they could be devoted with more profit to all concerned than the habilitation of the immense field and personnel of American labor.

The ramifications of the business are so wide and divergent; so essentially in need of authoritative direction and recognition, that it will be a long and advantageous step in public economy if they are aligned, and vested with the right and power inherent in specific autonomy; and besides the added dignity and force that will attach to the system, will divest it of the smaller, commoner and cheaper phases of expression wherewith the nation has long since become thoroughly disgusted and which have done more to lower the tone of labor and defeat its best ambitions than anything else.

The fact that the workingman of the United States has his own cabinet member and the broader interest in, and reliance upon, the Government itself, will make him infinitely more careful of his processes and expedients in the pursuit of his ends; and will give him unquestioned and accepted status in the huge affairs of government heretofore denied him by the dominant interests which have all manner of departmental agencies at

their command in the attainment of their desires.

Create the Department of Labor and put John Mitchell at the head of it!

DIVISION OF AUTHORITY.

Astoria, like hundreds of her civic compeers throughout the country, is contending against a set of adverse conditions set up by certain phases and limits of divided authority; the shrievalty, the common council, the police commission, and the police department, all, are inextricably mixed up in indeterminate authority, with the perfectly natural consequence that the laws of State and city are "chucked in the air" for the most part, and patently disregarded and nullified by non-observance.

The very law itself sinks to insignificance for want of honest observance on the one hand and equally honest enforcement on the other, and the people are tiring of the two-handed "hold-up," and bearing the brunt of the evil results and useless cost of the whole wretched system. Public sentiment is always ready to commend the enforcement of the laws and equally ready to condemn the breaker, and the indifferent officer, who offend, one as badly as the other, when they tacitly conspire to "chuck" the law.

It is time Astoria was reducing the responsibility and fixing it at one source. Cut out the useless and impeding police commission and put the policing of the city in the hands of the mayor, holding him answerable for the laches and the success of the force; or make the office of chief elective, and pass the weight of responsibility up to him along with the right of appointing his own patrolmen. At all events do away with useless and cumbersome places and peopled for whom there is no earthly use in a community of this size, such as the police commission, which to date, has been nothing more nor better than a mere nursery for the propagation of small and shabby political schemes and a barrier to the proper handling of the law and the agents of the law. It is the fifth-wheel of Astoria's civic chariot and has no standing in a departmental sense whatever, other than to impede the administration of affairs and make place for a few idlers; and if the truth were known each and all of them would be glad to drop the ambiguity attached to so false and farcical a position.

SAME INNER-CIRCLE PLAN.

The Republicans of Astoria and Clatsop will be pleased to know that the county central committee of the party is again formed and in harness and that it has taken its initial step in the interest of the campaign; all of which is duly heralded elsewhere in these columns. And the Morning Astorian, and other stalwart members and representatives, hopes, and will strive for the ultimate and pronounced success of the party at the June polls.

But, incidentally, and in passing, it may not be amiss to observe that the rank and file of the party might be better pleased if the Central Committee shall not assume too many prerogatives at the jump-off and pass some of the popular matters up to the party for consideration and despatch.

For instance, there should have been a call for a mass meeting of the party and a general submission of the current questions of the hour and the personnel of the Clatsop representatives at the Congressional convention, which were so cavalierly disposed of yesterday by the newly organized committee, which has detailed the bulk of its own membership to go to Portland in that behalf.

We are not kicking, understand; we are simply advising. There is a growing indisposition toward peremptory political action these days that may manifest itself in much more painful fashion than this friendly intimation is cast abroad.

SINCERE THANKS.

If You Have Catarrh, Asthma or Bronchitis, Read What Thankful People Say About Hyomei.

Mrs. M. A. Drake, Utica, N. Y., writes: "I could not speak above a whisper, I inhaled Hyomei, and it gave me instant relief. Hyomei will cure Catarrh and Bronchitis if used as directed."

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NEW BOOKS.

The following books have just been received at the library:

History of Rome, 5 Vols., by Theodore Mommsen.

Complete Poetical Works, Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

Poetical Works, 2 Vols., William Cowper.

Poetical Works, 2 Vols., John Dryden.

Victorian Anthology by Edmund Clarence Stedman.

Complete Poetical Works by Percy Bysshe Shelley.

Poems and Ballads of Schiller.

Poetical Works, 2 Vols., Dante Gabriel Rossetti.

Poems by Christina Rossette.

Reminiscences (2 Vols.) of Carl Schurz.

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DISTURBING SLEEPER.

South Orange Frames an Ordinance to Abate the Nuisance.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Barking dogs and the crowing of roosters between the hours of 10 p. m. and 6 a. m. is prohibited by the board of trustees of South Orange, N. J., that the slumbers of that town's residents may not be disturbed. The trustees propose to enact the following:

"The maintaining of howling animals, crowing, barking dogs or fowls and animals which disturb the rest, sleep and quiet of the neighborhood within the aforesaid hours is hereby prohibited."

The ordinance provides a fine of \$5 for each offense. He was introduced by a trustee whose term expires May 6.

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STOLEN JEWELRY.

History Repeats Itself When Actress Has Her Jewelry Stolen.

NEW YORK, April 22.—When Madame Komisarzhewsky, the Russian actress, was on the stage of Webster Hall last night, where a benefit for the Russian poor was in progress some thief slipped into the actress' dressing room and stole two brooches, the gifts to Madame Komisarzhewsky of the Czar. The actress discovered her loss when she finished her act and immediately notified police headquarters. One brooch according to her description, was set with two large and 12 small diamonds. The other was set with two large pearls.

DEATH WAS ON HIS HEELS.

Jesse P. Morris, of Skippers, Va., had a close call in the spring of 1906. He says: "An attack of pneumonia left me so weak and with such a fearful cough that my friends declared consumption had me, and death was on my heels. Then I was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It helped me immediately, and after taking two and a half bottles I was a well man again. I found out that New Discovery is the best remedy for coughs and lung disease in all the world." Sold under guarantee at Charles Rogers & Son drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

TWO PARISHES.

NEW ORLEANS, April 22.—Yesterday's returns from Lyons elections indicate that St. Landry and Acadia parishes have joined the prohibition column. The estimated plurality for prohibition in St. Landry was 500 and in Acadia parish about 150.

Two other prohibition fights developed in the elections, west Feliciana and Concordia parishes, both voting against prohibition.

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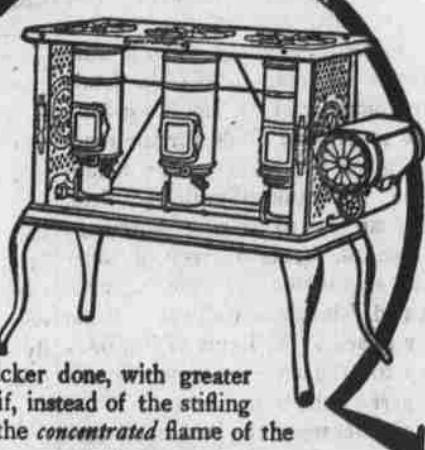
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